

6. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein:

step (e) comprises orienting the second component to be [generally] parallel to the first component after attachment.

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New claims:

21. A method for bonding a first component to a second component, the method comprising:

- (a) providing a preform of woven fabric;
- (b) infusing the preform with an adhesive that has a tensile strength less than 6500 pounds per square inch and a peel strength greater than 15 pounds per linear inch, the preform after infusion with the adhesive being free of any resin; then
- (c) placing the preform in contact with the first component;
- (d) curing the adhesive, causing the adhesive to bond the preform to the first component;
- and
- (e) attaching the second component to the preform.

22. The method according to claim 21, wherein step (e) is performed before step (c) by placing the second component in contact with the preform before curing the adhesive, then curing the adhesive to bond the first and second components to the preform simultaneously.

23. The method according to claim 21, wherein step (e) is performed after step (d).

5. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein:

step (e) comprises orienting the second component to be [generally] perpendicular to the first component after attachment.

6. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein:

step (e) comprises orienting the second component to be [generally] parallel to the first component after attachment.

New claims:

21. A method for bonding a first component to a second component, the method comprising:

- (a) providing a preform of woven fabric;
- (b) infusing the preform with an adhesive that has a tensile strength less than 6500 pounds per square inch and a peel strength greater than 15 pounds per linear inch, the preform after infusion with the adhesive being free of any resin; then
- (c) placing the preform in contact with the first component;
- (d) curing the adhesive, causing the adhesive to bond the preform to the first component;
- and
- (e) attaching the second component to the preform.

22. The method according to claim 21, wherein step (e) is performed before step (e) by placing the second component in contact with the preform before curing the adhesive, then curing the adhesive to bond the first and second components to the preform simultaneously.

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23. The method according to claim 21, wherein step (e) is performed after step (d).